

No demonstration on 11-26-1982. In my conversation with Postmaster Barrett on Friday at mid-day, I concluded that it would be a waste of time. The decision has already been made and it is now too late to do anything about it. The U. S. Postal Service will build and move into a new building on Dundaff Street and they will abandon the current building and there is nothing that can be done about it. All we can hope for is the best. What will happen to City Hall? What will happen to the Post Office Building at the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Main Street? What? Will the City government move into the present Post Office Building? If they do, what will become of CCH? On Friday afternoon, Oliver and Kay Shifler gave me the original of my mailgram to McDade, a copy of which is shown here. Also shown here is a copy of the list of names of people to get in touch with and register a complaint about this recent post office activity. This list--two columns--was typed by Kay Shifler on a script typewriter. I put this list together with the list that I prepared and came up with a composite list entitled "SOME NAMES, ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS / December 10, 1982." This is an "action list"--we must hand these sheets out to the citizenry and ask they to register their feelings about the new post office. This list we will have for future use as well. Everyone in Carbondale should have a copy of this list.

## PO Bids All Exceed Estimates

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The U. S. Postal Service opened 11 bids Tuesday afternoon for construction of a Carbondale post office and all bids were well over the anticipated cost of the project.

Pettinato & Mercanti Construction Co., Clark's Summit, was the apparent low bidder, coming in at \$560,000. At the other end of the scale was J. Rose Corp., Wilkes Barre, at \$692,438.

Postal authorities had estimated a project cost of between \$415,000 and \$470,000.

In between the low and high bids were Dorsan Inc., Honesdale, \$680,000; Raymond & Son, Dunmore, \$673,000; Thomas A. Armbruster Inc., Trexertown, \$669,900; Scandale Construction Co., Scranton, \$667,400; Jerry Ganz Construction Co., Scranton, \$657,300; Magnotta & Son, Scranton, \$649,000; S.G. Mastriani Co., Dunmore, \$622,000; Yannuzzi Inc., Hazleton, \$582,800; and Talerico Construction Co., Carbondale, \$568,007.

The bids were opened at the Carbondale post office by James Dugan of the Postal Service's Philadelphia office real estate division.

Dugan told *The Times* the Postal Service has 60 days to award a contract but that a decision probably will come within the next four weeks.

The new postal facility will be constructed on a 16-acre tract off Dundaff Street directly across the street from Trichilo Wholesale Foods.

Once a contract is awarded and a starting date agreed upon, the winning bidder will have 365 working days in which to complete the project. Depending on the weather, Carbondale residents could be serviced by the new facility by Christmas 1983.

Gerald Barrett, postmaster, assisted Dugan at the bid opening, which was attended by nine contractors or their representatives.

The new facility will differ from the present post office in that it is designed primarily to accommodate motor route delivery of the mail.

It was engineered and designed by E.J. Peters & V.S. Riggi Architects, Dunmore.

## Bids out for new main post office

The U.S. Postal Service has announced it has advertised for bids to construct a new main post office in Carbondale.

The work includes furnishing all labor, material, equipment and services necessary for and incidental to the construction of a postal facility to be located on Dundaff Street, Carbondale, PA.

The approximate value of the project is between \$415,000 and \$470,000 with completion within 365 calendar days after receipt of Notice to Proceed. Bid packages are available

at \$25 per set (non-refundable) and may be obtained from E.J. Peters & V.S. Riggi, 512 North Blakely Street, Dunmore, PA 16812; telephone (717) 961-0359.

The bid opening will be on Tuesday, November 23, at 2 p.m. in the office of the Postmaster in Carbondale.